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SUBJ: REASSIGNMENTS OF CORPS GENERALS DEMIREL AND GUNERI

REFS: A. NICOSIA 3391, 1 OCT 74; B. ANKARA 7890,
4 OCT 74; C. NICOSIA 3470, 5 OCT 74.

1. TURKISH PRESS ANNOUNCED REASSIGNMENTS OF LT. GENERALS
BEDRETTIN DEMIREL AND VEHIT GUNERI BY WHICH THEY
WOULD EXCHANGE POSITIONS EFFECTIVE APRIL 2. THUS GENERAL
DEMIREL ASSUMES COMMAND OF SIXTH CORPS IN ADANA
AND GENERAL GUNERI COMMAND OF THE TURKISH FORCES IN
CYPRUS.

2. ANKARA DATT HAS SENT BIO DATA ON GENERAL GUNERI BY
SEPTTEL (USDAO 414 OF 2 APRIL 1975). DATT NOTES THAT
GUNERI IS SHREWD AND COMPETENT OFFICER, WELL VERSED IN
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WORLD AFFAIRS AND FLUENT IN ENGLISH. DATT HAS FOUND HIM
EASY TO TALK TO BUT CANNOT SAY THAT HE WOULD NECESSARILY

BE ANY MORE FLEXIBLE IN IMPLEMENTATION OF TURKISH POLICY
OR MILITARY DIRECTIVES THAN HIS PREDECESSOR ON CYPRUS,
GENERAL DEMIREL.

3. EXCHANGE OF ASSIGNMENTS HAS BEEN CONSIDERED POSSIBLE
AFTER SIX MONTHS (JANUARY 1975) OR ON 30 AUGUST 1975,
THE NORMAL TURKISH MILITARY REASSIGNMENT DATE. WE HAVE
NO EVIDENCE OF ANY POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE IN MOVES.
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